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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed August 12, 2004 for which the three-month shortened statutory period expired on November 12, 2004. Consideration of the Amendment and Remarks that follow is respectfully requested.

AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action of August 12, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.